Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—Do these societies do regular work and whether there is regular work done there with the result that these consumers' societies do develop to the advantage of the population?

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies).*—The consumers' societies are not organised in villages. They are being started mainly in towns.

Mr. K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas South).*—Are the members the consumers themselves?

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies).*—It is usual when a set of people almost fairly with common needs when they find a better measure, better sort of provisions and good weight they will organise themselves as a consumers' society.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—How many weavers' societies are working?

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies).*—There are three or four.

Marketing Scheme for Agricultural Commodities—opening depots outside the State.

194. Mr. T. C. Iyyukutty *(Pazhanji).*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

whether they will take up the Marketing Scheme for arecanut and other agricultural commodities by opening depots outside the State?

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies).*—Government do not intend to open depots outside the State now.

Water Service connections—Mattancheri.

195. Mr. M. V. Cherian *(Mattancheri Town-South).*—Will the Government be pleased to state the approximate date when house connections of Alwaye water pipe can be given in Mattancheri?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer).*—The Government will be in a position to sanction house service connections from the fresh water mains in Mattancheri in about three months.

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